

# Victorian Certificate of Education 2005

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# **MUSIC PERFORMANCE: GROUP**

# Aural and written examination

## **Thursday 17 November 2005**

Reading time: 9.00 am to 9.15 am (15 minutes)

Writing time: 9.15 am to 10.45 am (1 hour 30 minutes)

## **QUESTION AND ANSWER BOOK**

#### Structure of book

Section	Number of questions	Number of questions to be answered	Number of marks
A	6	6	59
В	2	1	30
С	1	1	28
			Total 117

- Students are permitted to bring into the examination room: pens, pencils, highlighters, erasers, sharpeners and rulers.
- Students are NOT permitted to bring into the examination room: blank sheets of paper and/or white out liquid/tape.
- No calculator is allowed in this examination.

#### **Materials supplied**

- Question and answer book of 33 pages including blank manuscript paper for rough working on pages 5 and 9. It is **not** a requirement of the examination that students use the blank manuscript paper.
- An audio compact disc will run continuously throughout Section A (Aural comprehension) of the examination. The audio compact disc will run for 44 minutes.

#### **Instructions**

- Write your **student number** in the space provided above on this page.
- You may write at any time during the running of the audio compact disc, and after it stops.
- All written responses must be in English.

Students are NOT permitted to bring mobile phones and/or any other unauthorised electronic devices into the examination room.

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## **SECTION A: Aural comprehension**

#### **Instructions for Section A**

Answer all questions in Section A in pencil.

An audio compact disc containing musical examples will run continuously throughout Section A.

## Part 1: Intervals and melody

#### Question 1 – Recognition of intervals

A melody will be played six times.

A count-in will precede each playing.

The **rhythm** of the melody is presented on the stave below.

- **a. Identify** the **interval distance** (quality and number) between the bracketed notes.
  - Intervals may be ascending **or** descending.
  - You are **not** required to identify the direction (up or down) of the interval.
  - Write your answers **below the brackets** beneath the stave.



**b.** Circle the correct tonality of the excerpt.

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**MAJOR** 

HARMONIC MINOR

4 + 2 = 6 marks

## **Question 2 – Melodic transcription**

A four-part score of four bars length is notated below.

On the blank (first) stave the **oboe** melody is **not** notated.

The excerpt will be played **five** times.

A count-in will precede each playing.

Note: The time signature, key signature, total number of bars and the pitch (but not the duration) of the first note of the part to be transcribed (the blank stave) are given.

On the blank (first) stave, **transcribe** the **oboe** part. Be certain to indicate the length of the first note.



# Blank manuscript for rough working if required.

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## Part 2: Chords and harmony

## Question 3 - Recognition of chord types

Eight chords will be played.

Each chord will be in **root position**.

Each chord will be played three times: harmonically, as an arpeggio, and harmonically again.

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The chords played for this question will be selected from the following.

- Major chord
- Minor chord
- · Diminished chord
- · Augmented chord
- Suspended 4 chord (sus 4)
- Dominant 7 chord [major triad + minor 7th]
- Dominant 7 / suspended 4 chord [suspended 4 chord + minor 7th]
- Major 7 chord [major triad + major 7th]
- Minor 7 chord [minor triad + minor 7th]
- Half-diminished chord (min7 / flat5) [diminished triad + minor 7th]
- Full diminished 7 chord (dim 7) [diminished triad + diminished 7th]

**Identify** the chords in the spaces provided, selecting your answers from the list above.

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3	4
5	6
7	88 marks

# Part 3: Rhythm

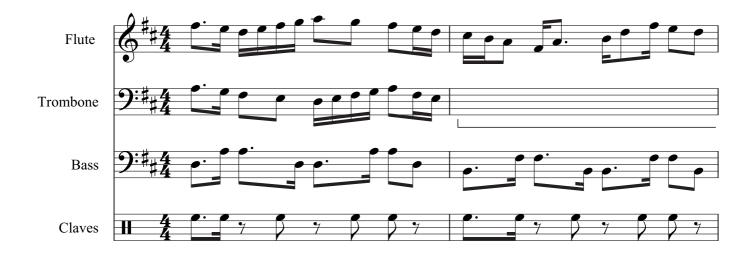
## **Question 4 – Transcription of rhythms**

A short musical excerpt will be played **five** times.

A count-in will precede each playing.

A four-part score with notes missing from **two bars** of the **trombone** part is printed below.

Write the rhythm only into the two bars without notes of the trombone part of the score.





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#### **Question 5 – Recognition and transcription of rhythms**

Four bars of a score for a rhythm section are printed below.

The excerpt as printed will be played **twice** (playings 1 and 2).

A different excerpt of music similar to the one printed will then be played **five** times (playings 3 to 7).

A count-in will precede each playing.

Each of the **four bars** will contain rhythmic differences between the printed music (playings 1 and 2) and the different excerpt (playings 3 to 7).

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Rhythmic differences may be in any of the four instrumental parts, but will occur only in **one part within the same bar**.

Note: 1. The total number of notes may change, that is, alterations may involve the addition or subtraction of notes, not simply their relative lengths.

2. The correct positioning of notes within the beat or the bar may involve the addition or subtraction of rests, and/or the alteration of rest lengths.

Where the rhythmic differences occur

- **a. circle** the **entire bar** with the altered rhythms.
- **b. notate** clearly the **rhythm** (only) that was played (playings 3 to 7) by writing the altered rhythm(s) in the appropriate bar of the blank stave provided.

Circle the entire bar of the parts where the rhythmic differences occur.



Notate altered rhythms on this stave.



4 + 4 = 8 marks

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# Part 4: Characteristics of a pre-recorded work

## **Question 6**

An excerpt of music will be played three times.

There will be silent working time after each playing.

First playing – 1 minute 30 seconds silence Second playing – 2 minutes 30 seconds silence

Third playing - 3 minutes silence (recommended working time for the completion of

Question 6)

**Excerpt from**: 'Spawn' performed by **george** on the CD *polyserena* (2 minutes and 18 seconds).

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# **SECTION B: Part-writing OR Improvisation**

## **Instructions for Section B**

Choose **either** Question 7 (Part-writing) or Question 8 (Improvisation) according to the option that you selected for study in Unit 3. Answer **all parts** of Question 7 **or all parts** of Question 8 in pen or pencil. **Do not** answer parts of Question 7 together with parts of Question 8.

#### **EITHER**

## **Question 7 – Part-writing**

a.

During Unit 3 you harmonised a melodic excerpt to create an arrangement.

Characteristics may inclu	stics of the <b>melody</b> or <b>melodic excerpt</b> you harmonised to create an arrangement de: implied harmonies; contour; rhythmic features; tonality.
Characteristic 1	
Characteristic 2	

Characteristic 3		

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<b>Describe</b> issues rel	ating to three of the poin	ts from the list below which you con	sidered when planning
your harmonisation	n and/or arrangement.		
• instrumentation			
• tone colour			
harmonic implies			
• rhythmic relation	onships		
<ul><li> dynamics</li><li> articulation</li></ul>			
• texture			
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Point 2			
Point 3			

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<b>Discuss three</b> techniques you used in realising your harmonisation. In your answer you <b>must</b> refer to <b>least two</b> of the following.
• chord selection
<ul> <li>voicing</li> </ul>
• voice leading
• the relationship(s) between parts
• treatment of rhythm
<ul> <li>use of digital technology (simply mentioning basic computer commands and/or operations insufficient)</li> </ul>
Technique 1

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Technique 3	

## OR

# $Question\ 8-Improvisation$

During Unit 3 you prepared and performed an improvisation.

Characteristic 1	 	 	
Characteristic 2			

Characteristic 3	

- **b. Describe aspects of three** musical elements from the list below which you specifically considered when you planned your improvisation.
  - scale/modal forms and/or tonality
  - harmonic progression(s)
  - developing and/or using melodic motifs
  - developing and/or using rhythmic motifs
  - contrast
  - influences drawn from analysis of other arrangements
  - stylistic characteristics of the selected mainstream style

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Element 2			

Element 3			

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<b>Discuss three</b> ways you used performance techniques in realising your improvisation. Your answer <b>mus</b> refer to <b>at least two</b> of the following.
• use of different registers of the instrument or voice
• use of articulation
• use of dynamic contrasts
• use of variation
• use of contour to achieve unity and/or contrast(s)
• use of non-standard/creative ways of playing the instrument (for example, using the instrument or voic to create percussive effects)
Use of performance technique 1

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Use of performance technique 2
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Use of performance technique 3

# **SECTION C:** Aspects of performance

## **Instructions for Section C**

Answer all parts of Question 9 in pen or pencil.

## Question 9 – Presentation of and preparation for performance

During Unit 4, you analysed strategies and techniques for preparing and presenting ensemble performances that would realise the characteristics of a range of music styles.

Identify the titles and composers/performers of two contrasting works that you prepared for performance

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Work 1	
Composer(s)	)/performer(s)
Work 2	
Composer(s)	)/performer(s)
<b>List</b> the instr	rumentation including voice(s) of your group or ensemble. ( <b>Do not name</b> its membership.)
Identify the quartet).	general style of your group or ensemble (for example: rock group, jazz trio, 'classical' wind
	e <b>type</b> of venue at which your group presented a performance, for example school hall, town por performance at a private home. <b>Do not name</b> the school, suburb, city or town where the ocated.

Musical problems are such as 'moshing' and	<b>not</b> stagecraft/stag l so forth.	e movement, bond	ling sessions, massage/a	romatherapy, matte
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		12 marks
. i		On page <b>27</b> , you listed two works that are <b>contrasting</b> in style. For <b>each</b> of the works, <b>identify two pproaches</b> your group used to realise characteristics of the style.
	V	Vork 1/Approach 1
	V	Vork 1/Approach 2
	V	Vork 2/Approach 1
	V	Vork 2/Approach 2
ii	D	4 marks  Discuss issues your group considered in relation to each of the approaches that you have identified.
11		You may refer to the same approach when discussing both works.
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Work 1/Issue 2	